



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Alain BETHUNE

Group Art Unit: 1734

Application No.: 09/688,961

Examiner: S. PURVIS

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Docket No.: 107615

For: METHOD OF HOT MARKING, AND A MULTILAYER STRUCTURE FOR  
IMPLEMENTING SUCH A METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In connection with the filing herewith of a Request for Continued Examination, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**